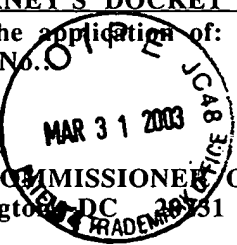


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In re the application of: Coelho, Philip
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously filed.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

XX No additional fee is required for the presentation of additional claims.

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3. A bracketed and underlined copy of claims as amended under 37 CFR § 1.121 (3 pages);
4. Notice of Appeal (responsive to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002);
5. Extension of Time (original and one copy);
6. Check in the amount of \$625.00; and
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Please note that the Office Action to which this amendment responds was mailed on September 23, 2002 thereby requiring a response by March 23, 2003. March 23, 2003 was a Sunday. Thus, this amendment is timely filed on Monday, March 24, 2003.

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